

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2854 - HB 3441

March 6, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes Utility Management Review Boards to develop and prescribe a plan of reconciliation for those utility districts with serious audit findings or recommendations. If the utility district does not comply with the plan, the board may convene a contested case for the removal of members of the district board.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

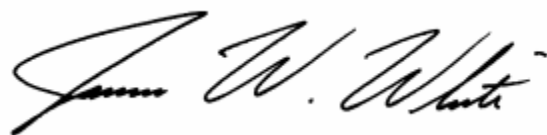
Increase State Expenditures – Less than \$50,000

Assumptions:

- Approximately 200 utility districts statewide.
- 10% of the utility districts have serious audit findings, resulting in significant work on 20 cases annually.
- This estimate assumes that the Utility Management Review Board will require significant additional resources to conduct public hearings, contested case hearings, review audit findings, provide reconciliation plans, and subsequent review of utility boards progress toward the implementation of those plans. This will result in an increase in state expenditures of less than \$50,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a smaller, more compact script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director